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Interesting B. C. History

—B44—
From the Pen
of
Premier McBride
—B45—

Hon. R. McBride has contributed an article on British Columbia to the Financial News of London on the occasion of that influential journal's twentieth anniversary. As the Colonial remarks in reprinting the article, though not lengthy, is historical and statistical, and in every respect hopeful of a great future for the land which Lord Dufferin christened, "This Glorious Province."

Mr. McBride takes up the historical thread at the year 1858, the period of the Fraser river gold excitement, but for the purpose of comparison he makes 1882-83 a convenient starting point. He rapidly sketches the events that followed the passage of the terms of union and the admission of British Columbia to the sisterhood of Confederation. Best progress, he thinks, has been made in the settlement of the land, in 1882. When the disputes that had arisen through the failure of the Dominion to carry out the terms of union were arranged and railway and dry dock construction began. The Premier furnishes the following interesting statistics, drawn from official returns:

	1881	1891	1901
Centus.	Centus.	Centus.	Centus.
Miners	2,792	4,791	9,500
Fishermen	1,454	2,798	18,843
Farmers	2,241	5,874	7,993
Houses	6,362	20,000	97,000
Population	49,450	98,175	177,272
Revenue Province—1871, \$102,093; 1881, \$307,005-06; 1901, \$1,805,423.			
Exports—1871, \$1,012,037; 1901, \$2,257,733; 1901, \$1,919,289; 1901, \$2,167,000.			
Imports—1871, \$1,740,252; 1901, \$2,449,240; 1891, \$3,477,411; 1901, \$1,115,127.			
Yrly wages \$29,213 \$3,609,000 \$15,000,000			
Capital—\$2,946,455 \$14,004,204 \$21,000,000			
Value prod. 2,956,784 \$22,000,000 \$30,000,000			

These figures show a startling and gratifying increase. No province of the Dominion starting as this did with scarcely any assets that were available and with its resources unknown and of enormous extent, has done as well. The other provinces, when confederated, had been in business on their own account for many years and had large revenue and railways and industries in full swing. Here all things were in the state that nature left them ago.

Mr. McBride mentions the fact that, starting with no railways in 1853, in 1903 there were 27 railways with a mileage of 1,628. In 1883 there were 12 salmon canneries, with an output of 197,000 cases valued at \$255,000; there are now 67 canneries, with an output of 1,247,212 cases, valued at \$2,386,617. In 1853 no metalliferous mines were in operation, with consequently no output; the output was subsequently valued at \$20,086,780 (in 1901). We have no exact figures with regard to agricultural products; but perhaps in no other industry has there been such upbuilding and satisfactory development.

In 1888, the first year when timber statistics were regularly obtained 25 mills were in operation, with a daily capacity of 700,000 feet of lumber. There are now 165 mills in operation, with a daily capacity of about 2,000,000 feet, cutting 317,000,000 feet of lumber.

Mr. McBride continues: "During the time the Province has been going steadily onward as a net result, it has had many reverses. A good deal of money has been spent in investment which has been less remunerative. There have been real estate booms, as in all new countries, followed by depression and loss. There has been the usual era of

mining speculation, during which many properties of uncertain value have been placed on the market to the disadvantage of more bona fide mining enterprises. There has been over capitalization in many instances, which prevented otherwise good mines paying dividends. There have been periods of commercial and industrial depression. Until a market opened up for our lumbermen in the Canadian North-West Territories, the lumber industry suffered severely as the result of distance from and competition in foreign markets. Owing to the physical character of the country and its vastness, it has taxed the resources of the Province severely to provide the expenses of administration and communication among its various parts, and in the administration of justice and for education. B. C., too, in recent years has suffered in common with many other parts of the world from labor troubles, now happily, for a time at least, ended."

Speaking of the political difficulties which, he truly remarks, have been greatly exaggerated abroad, and which have at last been overcome, he says the country is really better off on account of having had to overcome them; because an experience has been gained which will be of the greatest possible benefit in determining the future. I have regarded both the dark and the bright side of the picture with a net result that has been flattering to our prospects. The future, indeed, is full of hope. We have just been entering upon the verge of our possibilities. The development that has taken place up to here has simply served to reveal them in part.

"North, south, east and west immense mining development is going on, and from \$20,000,000 of an output we shall speedily jump to \$100,000,000. With the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Great Northern Railway in the southern interior, the whole of which has practically been reached by main lines and branches, with a new transcontinental railway traversing the northern interior, to be followed by similar ramifications; with the certainty of an inter-railway system covering the whole of the central interior; with lines of trans-Pacific steamers carrying trade to and from Australasia and the Orient; with a vast iron and steel industry to be built up, for which there is every facility, and large pulp mills on the coast; with a rapidly expanding fishery development, with slaughtering activity and largely carried out with three and many other things of an industrial and commercial nature in view British Columbia has a future not scarcely less important than Great Britain herself, with which it has many points of resemblance."

Days of Evolution

Editor The Outcrop:

Well, says I to one friend John Young, let us see coming to any loss?

Well, says our friend John, we are coming to an election. You see, says one friend John, we've seen great things in our day. It is the days of evolution. He said: says I and says that? Well, says we, we have telegraph with wire and telegraph and old wire and we have the Jack-in-the-box and we have the talk-out-the-box; and we have the talking machine, and we have the singing machine and the speech-making machine, all did out brains or lungs. And we

have seen the rise and fall of John L. Sullivan, and we have seen General Cooney take his array of Patriots to Washington, and we have seen John Levan sail his ice boat, and we have seen Don send Ruf to West Kootenay to attend the Patriotic convention, and we have seen that the Patriots plumed Mr. Gallagher to go to Atawa and tell Larry that Ruf wants the mail line made shorter and the dollars made longer, and we have seen Ruf coming back whistling the Stars with the Spanglers and it will save the King—you see that will cut down on both sides of the line. Well, says John, it is to have the mines is closing down. I can't sell my beef and it is getting cold and my wood is out. Yes we have seen great things happen in our day.

I wonder if we could get some of the Rail old stuff on election day? You spoke to Jim about it, it might make a great deal of difference.

Well, we fire it out and I must go.
DEWY,
Alice S. Brewer.

OUR MEMBER AT VICTORIA

What Mr. Wells
Has to Say in
The House

As The Outcrop has not the space to give a full report of the proceedings of the Provincial Legislature the following extracts from our valued contemporary are given as it shows to some little extent the part the member for this riding is taking, although most of the reports are based more or less by the party benches of the various exchanges and it is next to impossible to get an independent report at this distance.

Speaking of the conduct of the Government in the Fernie ballot-box scandal Mr. Wells said: British Columbia has been singularly free from such occurrences. In some of the other provinces they had been a great deal about it. It is going into the history of the party who controlled the government, he said, and in the other parts of the Dominion it was known as the Terry party. This morning, however, they had adopted the name Conservatives. Later, in order to act as a kind of disclaimer, Liberal was prefixed to this. (Laughter.) He soon looked to see the government of this province in the hands of the Liberal party. This was one of the most disgraceful things that had taken place in connection with elections in the province.

Mr. Wells passed, at some length, a general criticism on the appropriations for the Upper Country railroads. He went into the matter in considerable detail, arguing that unless discrimination had been shown, he was disappointed at the result as they affected party bias. Mr. Wells highly praised the British Columbia road system, saying it was second to none throughout the Dominion. However, it was not kept in good order, great expense to the province would be incurred. Referring to Revelstoke, he resolved the finger to which that place had been exposed, and that it was used only by the prompt action of the government of that date. If the Chief Commissioner ever visited the Upper Country in his present capacity he would certainly get a warm reception. All that he could promise the Chief Commissioner was that he could provide him with a fair escort.

Hon. Mr. Green strongly resented the expression of Mr. Wells, and warned him that he was quite able to take care of himself on the floor of the House or anywhere else. He then proceeded to review Mr. Wells' record as Chief Commissioner, and showed that Mr. Wells had hardly been consistent in his attack upon the present Chief Commissioner. Hon. Mr. Green then gave the figures showing that the riding represented by Mr. Wells had received in three years no less than \$106,000, which was a very generous share of the public funds.

Mr. Wells argued that the two offices at Wilmer and Windermere should not have been amalgamated, but that the salaries should have been increased.

Hon. Mr. Tatlow, in reply, read a letter from the Inspector of government offices for that section, recommending the amalgamation of the two offices on various grounds, economy amongst others; he alleged that the office at Wilmer was not only expensive, but practically unnecessary.

DISTRICT CROPPINGS And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

Joe Jones has gone to Phoenix and may not return until late in the spring.

Premier McBride has announced that his government will do nothing towards assisting railway construction financially for the present.

Mrs. J. C. Pitts, of Windermere, was the guest of Mrs. Geo. Belcher at Wilmer from Thursday until Saturday.

Mrs. J. Quilivan and her three boys left on the Cranbrook stage for their home on Tuesday, having visited Mrs. W. Chamberlain a few weeks.

Rev. J. Fraser has received the final papers from the Independent Order of Foresters, which pays Mrs. E. Palmer \$1,000 insurance on the life of her late husband.

Alex. Ritchie took a load of Paradise last week to Golden to be shipped to the Trail market for sampling purposes. He brought back a load of weight for the mile.

Last Thursday evening Mr. Mc. and Mrs. George Bender entertained a number of their friends at their residence with a party. A very enjoyable and entertaining evening was spent, and all who were in attendance report a good time.

While at Port Steele Frank C. Stock held a box of cigars with Father Grace of the Prospect that construction on the Kootenay Central Railway would not be started by his 50 days. It is to be hoped the editor will prove the winner—Frank will be pleased to lose this bet.

The entertainment given in the Windermere hall on Tuesday evening by the Windermere Amateur Theatricals was a brilliant success from the reports of those in attendance. The attendance was exceptionally large and we regret that our correspondent's report has not reached us at the hour of going to press, but will appear next issue.

Prof. Chawley Flinn arrived in Wilmer Sunday evening. He is a well-known theatrical manager representing a high-class English Comic Company. He has not yet set a date for his next performance, but his English accent alone draws a big crowd whenever he uses it—four times he is ploughed full of English. What a change a few hairs make.

Conservatives Organize

The Conservative meeting called for last Friday evening was fairly well attended by the faithful and passed off with the best of good-feeling throughout. When The Outcrop reporter arrived it was a little early and those present were relating with much enthusiasm their experiences with glycerine, gasoline, dynamite and other explosives, and just when he had become badly frightened and visions of a big scare-headlines for this issue were dancing through his head Mr. Amme arose and called the meeting to order, much to the report's surprise and relief.

Mr. Amme stated that in calling the meeting he had done so upon the request of a number of Conservatives and that the object in so doing was to form a local Liberal-Conservative association. He was not accustomed to making addresses, and therefore, his friends must not expect much of a speech from him. He thought the time had arrived when the Wilmer Conservatives should organize and take a part in the questions that were effecting the town and country generally, as an election was pending and it was the duty of all Conservatives to take their stand and Wilmer should not remain in the background.

After a little general discussion a motion was duly passed that an organization be formed to be known as "The Wilmer Liberal-Conservative Association." Then a roll was prepared and members enlisted by attaching their signatures, which has since grown to quite a respectable number and many more are expected to sign.

The next business taken up was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Honorary-President, Hon. R. F. Green.
President, Harry L. Amme.
Vice-President, Jas. S. Johnston.
Secretary-Treas., Andrew Green.
Executive Committee: W. S. Rattan, J. J. Martin, Eugene Cornture, Wm. Chamberlain, Hector Campbell, Geo. Chamberlain and C. W. Palmer.

Motions were passed expressing the Association's confidence in the McBride Government, and Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh as candidate for the Dominion Parliament, and also in their leader, Hon. R. L. Borden. Another motion was to the effect that the secretary inform these gentlemen of the motions effecting them.

After arranging to draft by-laws and attend to other preliminaries the meeting dispersed.

GOLDEN NUGGETS.

(From The Star Correspondent.)

Golden, B.C., Feb. 12—
Tomorrow will be Valentine Day.

Baron M. Galden, on February 6th, the wife of H. G. Parson, a daughter.

Miss Joan Shaw arrived from Atlanta yesterday, and leaves for Spokane in a few days.

Miss Ivey, who has been visiting in Golden, returned to her home in Vancouver on Sunday last.

A couple of tonight now ran off the C.P.R. side track yesterday afternoon, a gang of wildcats from Field crossed them on the track again.

Superintendent Wilson, of Vancouver, has been in town the latter part of the week overseeing the removal of the wrecking office from its home to the new C.P.R. station, which has recently been completed.

Forty-four north anglers are north of the Canadian line in the Canadian line. Apply to W. P. Evans, agent.

Misses A. Adams and H. Watt, both formerly of Golden, came up from Revelstoke to attend the hospital ball.

The body of W. D. McIntyre, late son-in-law of W. J. Gould, which was found near McLeod's Mill, McIntyre being taken to death—was taken to Vernon for interment. Mr. Gould and his son, J. Gould, accompanied it. Mr. Gould returned to Golden yesterday.

The Annual Hospital Ball held last evening in the Central Hall was very successful. The committees deserve much credit for the orderly way in which everything was carried out. The hall was tastefully decorated with flags and the supper tables were very prettily arranged. The supper ticket (which all that could be desired). The music was supplied by an orchestra from Revelstoke, and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Some fellow in Bonville published a treatise on sliding lands, which practice he promises to be extremely dangerous. He says there is an average of about 80,000 pieces of various kinds in every square inch of the north pole. But he admits that a motion faster than 100,000 feet per second would not have more than 40,000 or 50,000 inches of ice. Well, the one line of ice, which would not have more than 40,000 or 50,000 inches of ice, would not have more than 40,000 or 50,000 inches of ice.

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WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, FEB. 18, 1904.

A portion of the American press persist in maintaining that the compact of England with Japan is of a nature that will force the mother country to take up arms should Japan become embroiled in war with Russia. The idea is erroneous. Great Britain is not bound to make common cause with Japan. We are bound to maintain a strict neutrality and use our best efforts to prevent other nations from interfering. Should these efforts be unavailing and another power join in the hostilities against our ally, then Great Britain must come to the assistance of Japan and make common cause with it. So long as only Russia and Japan are involved, Great Britain is not expected to lift a finger, but contingencies may easily arise without the interference of a third party that will drag our country into the combat. Anyone who may study the map will see how completely Russia, with Manchuria and Korea within her grasp, will dominate Oriental trade, and, eventually, subjugate Japan and China as well. Nations that have trade relations with the Orient are interested in preventing the further advance of Russia. Since Manchuria passed under Russian control foreign trade with that province has fallen off more than one-half. Complaints are heard from all sides of the disastrous effects of Russian occupation. Great Britain, the United States, Germany and even France, are protesting strenuously against being shut out of Manchuria. It has been said that France has an arrangement with Russia, under which she is bound to assist that country in the event of an outbreak of war with Japan. This statement has been authoritatively denied, and popular discontent in France, which is strongly anti-Russian, has been soothed by the announcement that the alliance only refers to the Balkan policy of Russia, and has nothing whatever to do with Oriental affairs. The entrance of China into the contest, as an ally of Japan is certain unless Russia should retire from Manchuria, which she is not likely to do except under pressure from Great Britain and the United States or in the face of defeat by Japan. The situation abounds with difficulties and dangers, and should a war commence, who will be able to forecast its extent or end? In the midst of the turmoil Japan has entered a protest against being referred to as "Little Japan." She claims a population double in excess of that of the British Isles when they put down Napoleon and rescued Germany and the rest of Europe from French dominion.—Victoria Colonist.

There is a whole lot in the following remark of the Sloean City Drill: "Sloean mineowners should learn metallurgy and depend less on politics, and they can win their own battles and achieve success." There is a whole lot in that remark, and doubtless the mineowners will now take the kind hint and learn their business thoroughly. The Drill, which is usually a very reasonable and bright paper, has got mixed up with politics of the Conservative brand and in a argument with the Nelson News also claims the lead bounty has been of no benefit to the Sloean, and complains that the major portion of the bounty will go to the big mines of East Kootenay. We of East Kootenay may be a little surprised to learn of a Sloean paper admitting that the output of our mines are so much greater than an older district like the Sloean. The Drill shows this—the bounty is paid to all producers.

Illustrations of the masterly use of engineering principles by living structures were pointed out by a recent address in Philadelphia by Mr. Henry Leffmann. Numerous bones representing the hollow column, with its greatest strength for the least material; the articulation of the bones gives joints, which have lubricating membranes, and a tough intermediate structure in the case of the knee-joint. The elbow exhibits several forms of motion, with an apparent defect in the exposed position of the nerve-trunk—the "funny bone"—where is likely to receive a blow. Hydraulic engineering is demonstrated in the circulatory system, the

heart being a pair of double pumps, with its system of chambers and valves, and an action very similar to that of pistonless pumps of the pulsometer. The large trunk artery, with its divisions and subdivisions, bears a close analogy to a large gas or water main.

The tree, *Spindus utilis*, which is to be cultivated in Algeria as a source of natural soap, has a fruit about as large as a chestnut, with a dark-colored oily kernel. A cutting from the tree reaches a height of six feet in two years and attains maturity in six years, when it bears from 50 to 200 pounds of fruit. Water or alcohol is used to extract the soap, which is claimed to be very superior.

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Wait not for the crowning tuberose

To make sweet the last sad hours:

But while in the best homelike hand,

Your darlings still need your guiding

hand,

Oh, fill young lives with sweetness!

Wait not till the little hearts are still

For the loving look or praise:

But while you gently-chide a fault,

The good deed kindly praise:

The word you would speak beside the

bed

Falls sweeter on the living ear;

O, fill young lives with sweetness!

Ah, what are kisses on cold clay lips

To the rosy mouth we press,

When our wee one flies to her mother's

arms

For love's tenderest caress.

Let never a worthy little keep

Your heart each day should reap,

Circling your lives with sweetness.

Give thanks each morn, for the sturdy

boys,

Give thanks for the fairy girls;

With a shower of wealth like this at home

Would you rife the earth of pearls?

Wait not for death to gild Love's crown,

But daily shower life's blessings down,

And fill young hearts with sweetness.

Remember the homes where the light

has fled,

Where the rose has faded away;

And the love that grows in youthful

hearts,

O, cherish it while you may!

And make your home a garden of flowers,

Where joy shall bloom through child-

hood's hours.

And fill your hearts with sweetness.

—Schied.

Avoid the Girl

Who never thinks of anyone but her-

self.

Who never makes an effort to oblige

others, and yet expects to be waited on

hand and foot herself.

Who never will own that another girl

is pretty, but who endeavors instead to

find some defect in her to point out to

others.

Who never does a stroke of housework,

but selfishly indulges in gaiety and

amusement, while her mother slaves to

keep affairs in order.

Who never is happy unless she is

monopolizing the conversation of the

only man worth looking at in the room.

Who never takes any notice of child-

ren, but considers them "little mis-

creants," "dragons," who ought never to

leave the nursery.

Who never endures she is in the

wrong, but sticks to her point through

everything.

Who never considers that a man may

like her company, but never thinks of

proposing marriage to her.

Who never has a good word for a por-

celain when she related to marry.

Who never tries telling how she dis-

likes this and that man.

Who never gives away a penny in

charity, spending all her money on dress,

sweets or some luxury for herself.

Who never bestows a kind word on

those beneath her in position, and who

treats servants as mere machines made

to execute her commands.

Who never, above all, could love or

seriously consider the comfort of any

other person but herself.

Avoid all such girls in your special-

ty, and you may survive.—Ex.

After winning on a bluff, don't fail
to show your hand with a horse laugh.
It is such a kind, neat, safe way of try-
ing to make the loser feel like a fool.

Poker is not the only American game
in which it is a hoop easier to play the
other fellow's hand than your own, but
it's the commonest.

Even gambling illustrates the solid
advantage of beginning at the bottom,
inasmuch as the blacking whodolers from
the bottom is most likely to come out
on top.

In playing with a stranger, insist
upon his discarding his coat before he
does his cards, as then he will not be
likely to have something up his sleeve.

If, as a highly scientific—and there-
fore most unlucky—authority proclaims
in a sporting paper, poker is not gam-
bling, why don't they "sweeten" the
jacks with caramels instead of chips.
—New York Times.

A Sad Reflection.—"Well, I never!"
exclaimed Mrs. Higgins. "What's the
matter?" asked her husband in a startled
tone, as he turned around from his slay-
ing glass. "The idea of a grown man
like you standing there for five minutes
at a time admiring yourself!" I'm not
admirer myself. My feelings are those
of astonishment, not admiration. I can't
realize that I'm the same person who
years ago was called "precious pet," and
held on people's knees and kissed by the
neighbors. It's an awful thought."

Don't Stop for the Engine.—Some of
his shipmates tell of a clumsy young man
employed in one of the Chicago
factories who, on being discharged by
the superintendent, deliberately walked
up to the fire alarm button on the wall
and pressed it vigorously. "What in
thunder did you do that for?" asked the
superintendent. "Isn't that one of
your rules?" queried the discharged
man, as he edged toward the door, at
the same time indicating the placard
over the button: "In case of fire press
the button."

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Croppings

Lent started yesterday.

Again the sun shines bright, the weather is warm and the snow is going—glorious climate.

A. B. Yates and F. C. Stockdale returned from Cranbrook and Fort Steel on Friday, where they went on Masonic business—no one has reported seeing a new goat. They report having had a good time, though the snow was deep and the weather cold, and they had to walk from Fairmont to Windermere, as their horse played out.

Saturday afternoon Mrs. R. A. Power entertained a number of ladies at her residence with a game of bridge-whist, at which Mrs. G. A. Starke and Mrs. G. Troyer defeated Mrs. J. C. Pitts and Mrs. W. F. Evans, and Mrs. R. A. Power and Mrs. E. J. Scovil were ahead of Mrs. W. Taynton and Miss Robertson when the game broke up, owing to the fact that the Windermere ladies had to depart for their home.

The Outcrop has to thank Rev. Mr. Yates and Mr. O. D. Hoar for copies of a very neat pamphlet of 47 pages issued by the Golden Board of Trade and compiled and illustrated by Rev. C. F. Yates and printed by the Golden Star. Its title reads: "Mountain, Lake and River. One Hundred Miles of the Finest Scenery in British Columbia. Golden to Windermere."

The pamphlet is a credit to all those who have taken an interest in its publication and we will refer to it in another issue when more time is at our disposal to examine the contents.

When a man has to pay taxes on book debts he will think more before giving credit, but then he will decide his customers must make it up in increased prices.

Rev. Mr. E. St. G. Smyth will conduct Divine service in Wilmer in the evening of the first Sunday of each month.

A Sad Reflection.—"Well, I never!" exclaimed Mrs. Higgins. "What's the matter?" asked her husband in a startled tone, as he turned around from his shaving glass. "The idea of a grown man like you standing there for five minutes at a time admiring yourself." I'm not admiring myself. My feelings are those of astonishment, not admiration. I can't realize that I'm the same person who years ago was called "precious pet," and held on people's knees and kissed by the neighbors. It's an awful thought."

Didn't Stop for the Engine.—Some of his shipmates tell of a chunky young man employed in one of the Chicago factories who, on being discharged by the superintendent, deliberately walked up to the fire alarm button on the wall and pressed it vigorously. "What in thunder did you do that for?" asked the Superintendent. "Isn't that one of your rules?" queried the discharged man, as he elbowed toward the door, at the same time indicating the placard over the button: "In case of fire press the button."

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